

--19. An isolated nucleic acid comprising a nucleic acid region encoding an amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2, provided that the number of repeat units of Gln from the 166th to 188th amino acid varies between 15 and 100.--

--20. The nucleic acid according to claim 19, wherein said nucleic acid region is the region from the 49th nucleotide to the 3987th nucleotide, provided that the number of repeat units of CAG or CAA in said nucleic acid region from the 543th nucleotide to the 612th nucleotide varies between 15 and 100, and that the CAA in said nucleic acid region may be CAG.--

--21. A vector comprising an isolated nucleic acid according to claim 19 or 20, operatively linked to a promoter effective for expressing said nucleic acid in a human cell.--

Attached hereto is a marked up version showing the changes made to the application by this Reply.